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PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS

MANCHESTER MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO SELLING
A FIREARM TO A JUVENILE

CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: Ronald Moglia, 47, of Manchester, New Hampshire, pled guilty in U.S. District Court in Concord, New Hampshire, to being a Felon in Possession and Selling a Firearm to a Juvenile. Moglia admitted that on November 21, 2005, he met with a juvenile who wished to buy a gun. The juvenile paid Moglia \$230.00 for the gun. Moglia transferred the gun, which was loaded, to the juvenile and warned him not to tell anyone. Another juvenile was found carrying the loaded gun at West High School a few days after the sale. Moglia is scheduled to be sentenced on September 15, 2006. He is facing a maximum sentence of 10 years.

U.S. Attorney Colantuono stated: "The Department of Justice's Project Safe Neighborhoods initiative was designed to investigate and prosecute those individuals who violate our nation's gun laws. This case is an excellent example of the potential danger that can arise when an individual violates the law and delivers a gun to a juvenile. This office will work with law enforcement to investigate and prosecute those who would put guns in the hands of students without regard for the consequences that could result from giving a kid a gun."

United States Attorney Tom Colantuono thanked Hillsborough County Attorney Marguerite Wageling, Resident Agent in Charge of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives Cliff Ellston and Manchester Police Chief John Jaskolka for their department's assistance in the investigation of this case. The case was prosecuted by Project Safe Neighborhoods Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Debra M. Walsh.